

# HELM

**FINANCIAL CORPORATION**

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**VIA AIR COURIER**

April 14, 1997

Mr. Vernon Williams  
Secretary  
Surface Transportation Board  
1925 K Street, N.W.  
Washington, DC 20423-0001

RECORDATION No. 20391-A

(1) Termination of Lease

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RE: Termination of Lease of Railroad Equipment dated as of January 22, 1996  
("Termination of Lease") by Helm Financial Corporation.

Dear Mr. Williams:

On behalf of Helm Financial Corporation, I submit for filing and recording, under 49 U.S.C. Section 11303(a) and the regulations promulgated thereunder the following document:

Two (2) fully-executed originals of the above-referenced Termination of Lease by Helm Financial Corporation.

In connection with the recording of the Termination of Lease, please note the following information:

Name and Address of Lessor: Helm Financial Corporation  
One Embarcadero Center, Suite 3700  
San Francisco, CA 94111

Name and Address of Lessee: Parnum Paving, Inc.  
4201 North State Street  
Ukiah, CA 95482

Equipment: Eighteen (18) open top hopper railcars (See attached Schedule A to the Termination of Lease for reporting mark and numbers.)

Previous ICC Filing: Memorandum of Net Lease Agreement filed on December 9, 1996 under Recordation No. 20391.

Please file the Termination of Lease as a supplementary document and return one (1) endorsed original to my attention. A check covering the filing fee of \$24.00 is enclosed.

Sincerely,

*P Hapin*

Patrick Hapin  
Document Administrator

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Enclosures (2)

TERMINATION OF LEASE

THIS TERMINATION OF LEASE OF RAILROAD EQUIPMENT ("Termination") is made as of January 22, 1997 by HELM FINANCIAL CORPORATION, a California corporation ("Lessor").

1. Recitals. Lessor entered into the Net Lease Agreement dated as of September 20, 1996 (the "Lease") with Parnum Paving, Inc., a California corporation, with respect to the eighteen (18) railcars described in Schedule A attached hereto (the "Units"). The Lease is on file at the Surface Transportation Board of the Department of Transportation ("STB") under STB Recordation Number 20391 filed on December 9, 1996 at 10:25 am.

The Lease was terminated on December 23, 1996. The purpose of this Termination of Lease is to provide a formal termination document for filing with the STB.

2. Termination. The Lease is hereby formally terminated.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Lessor, pursuant to due corporate authority, has caused this Termination of Lease to be signed in its corporate name on the date indicated below its signature.

HELM FINANCIAL CORPORATION

By: John F. Kline  
Title: Senior Vice President & CFO  
Date: February 7, 1997

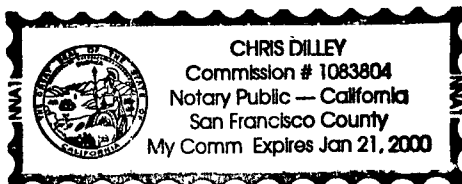
STATE OF CALIFORNIA                    )  
  ) S.S.  
COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO            )

On February 7, 1997, before me, Chris Dilley  
personally appeared John F. Dains, Senior Vice President and Chief  
Financial Officer of HELM FINANCIAL CORPORATION,

X personally known to me -OR-

— proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person(s)  
whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument and  
acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their  
authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on  
the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the  
person(s) acted, executed the instrument.

Witness my hand and official seal.



Chris Dilley  
SIGNATURE OF THE NOTARY

## SCHEDULE A

### Description of the Units:

Eighteen (18), 3,626 cubic foot, 100-ton capacity, three pocket, open top hopper railcars with 42/30 degree slope sheets; built by Greenville in 1971.

### Unit Numbers:

HELX 10013  
HELX 10015  
HELX 10021  
HELX 10025  
HELX 10031  
HELX 10049  
HELX 10051  
HELX 10087  
HELX 10092  
HELX 10094  
HELX 10108  
HELX 10109  
HELX 10135  
HELX 10141  
HELX 10150  
HELX 10167  
HELX 10187  
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